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SUBJECT: COCOM LIST REVIEW - IL 1416 - VESSELS

REFS: A. COCOM DOC REV (74) 1416/1

B. STATE 45946

1. USDEL OBJECTED ON MARCH 17 TO THE GERMAN PROPOSAL TO EXCLUDE CONTAINERSHIPS DESIGNED FOR SPEEDS NOT EXCEEDING 33 KNOTS. RATIONALE FOR THE US OBJECTION WAS DRAWN FROM THE COMMERCE TECHNICAL TASK GROUP REPORT OF FEBRUARY 1975.

2. GERMAN DEL EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT THE US AND GERMANY MAY HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT TWO DIFFERENT KINDS OF SHIPS. HE STATED THAT THE SHIPS THAT GERMANY IS INTERESTED IN EXCLUDING ARE NON-CONVERTIBLE, AND IN TERMS OF THE CRITERIA, NO ONE WOULD USE THEM IN PEACETIME FOR A MILITARY PURPOSE. GERMANY EXPRESSED AN INTENTION TO SUBMIT A REVISED PROPOSAL FOR ROUND III WHICH WILL CLEARLY DISTINGUISH THE VESSELS IN WHICH IT IS INTERESTED. US STATED THAT NO CONTAINERSHIPS OVER 26 KNOTS PER HOUR ARE ON ORDER FOR DELIVERY THROUGH 1978 AND THEREFORE THE GERMAN PROPOSAL WAS PREMATURE. IN REPLY THE GERMAN DEL OBSERVED THAT THE NUMBER OF SHIPS ON ORDER IS A COMMERCIAL MATTER AND STRESSED THAT THE

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FIRST DECISION FOR THE COMMITTEE TO REACH IS WHETHER

SUCH SHIPS ARE STRATEGIC OR NOT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE TECHNICAL TASK GROUP
CONTINUE TO EXAMINE THE GERMAN PROPOSAL IN THE LIGHT OF
THE STRATEGIC CRITERIA. WE ASSUME COVERAGE UNDER
SUBITEM (D) AND IML 9 WOULD CATCH CONVERTIBLE CONTAINER-
SHIPS EVEN IF NON-CONVERTIBLE ONES WERE EXCLUDED FROM
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